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I write to call to your attention a clerical lapse which appears to have occurred. As Acting Legal Adviser in Mr. Reis' absence, I accepted a registered letter sent by ordinary mail to Mr. Reis. Upon opening the envelope, I discovered it contained a publication on International Issues which bore the classification Secret.

If I am correct that material of this nature should not be sent through the public mails, you might wish to remind whoever mailed the material of this fact. Since the letter was not open when I received it and bore no indication of its having been tampered with, I am reasonably confident there was no untoward disclosure and nothing was compromised.

I would very greatly regret it if my action in calling this to your attention resulted in any disciplinary or other action against whomever committed the inadvertency. Indeed, I would very much appreciate it if you bore in mind my hope that you will accept my effort to inform you as conditioned on the expectation that no disciplinary action will be taken.

Very truly yours,

Robert Rosenstock

Acting Legal Adviser

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Mr. Robert Rosenstock
Acting Legal Adviser
United States Mission to
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799 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Rosenstock:

I am writing to thank you very much for your letter of July 1, addressed to _____ and informing him about the <u>Secret</u> material sent to Mr. Reis via the registered mail.

We appreciate your concern for the proper handling of such material. Regulations do, however, permit the use of this channel for conveying material classified through the Secret level. At the same time, the rules also state that an alternate addressee be identified, should the principal addressee be absent for any reason. In this our letter did err. We will take steps to see that our material is so handled in the future.

Again, we thank you very much and please be assured that your reminder will lead to no disciplinary action.

Sincerely,

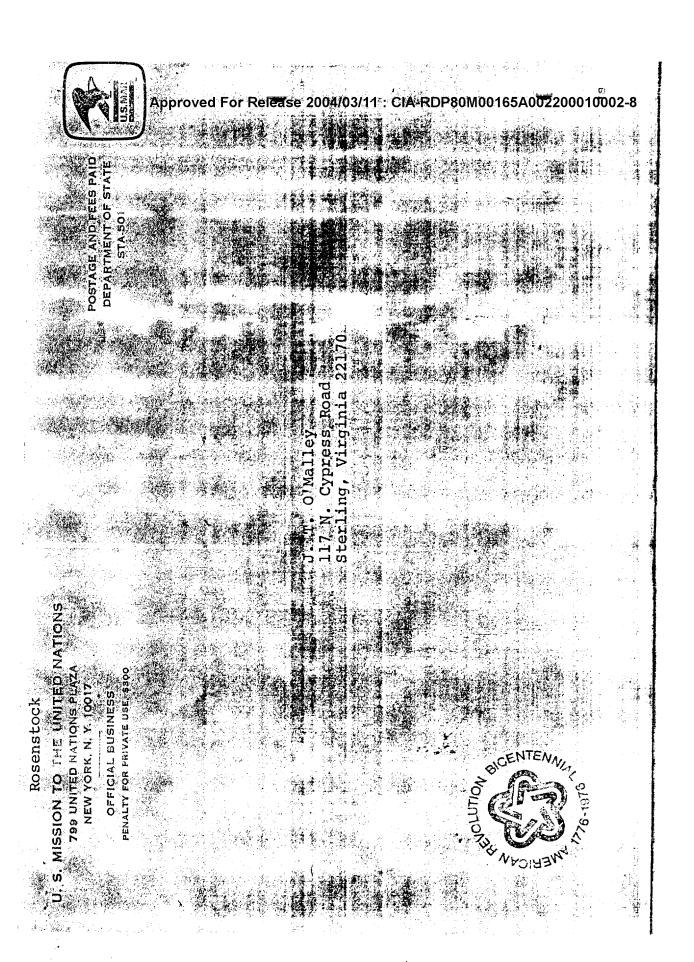
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B. C. Evans
Executive Secretary

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